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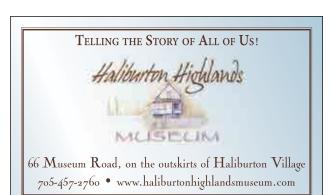
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10 a.m. - Tour the Sculpture Forest

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Haliburton, Head Lake Park.

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12:10 - 12:50 Curator's Cho Forest Tour.

9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Sunday Breakfast at the Haliburton Legion. Only \$6.

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### **INSIDE: CELEBRATING OUR 400TH EDITION**



Tom Green of Glass Eagle Studio and Harvey Walker of Boathouse Studio peer through one of Green's creations. They were promoting this weekend's 13th annual Haliburton County Tour de Forest summer studio tour. Photo by Lisa Gevais. See more on page 31.

## Auditor puts spotlight on municipal review

### By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills' auditor had some sage advice for both the County of Haliburton, and all four lower-tier municipalities, when he spoke at a council meeting July 25. Oscar Poloni of KPMG addressed the

province's recently-announced service modernization fund that delivered nearly \$3 million to the county, Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East, and Minden Hills March 20.

"Basically, intended to assist with respect

to the issues of sustainability, transparency and what the province calls line-by-line reviews," Poloni said last Thursday that referencing a goal of a four per cent savings across the province.

He said it's led to a number of

municipalities undertaking service reviews and he has done about 40 with both smaller and larger townships than Minden Hills. He is working with the County of Haliburton, the City of London, Niagara Region, Sault Ste. Marie, and Elliot Lake.

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## Towns have little control over spending

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When it comes to assessing municipal services, Poloni said there are four categories: mandatory, essential, traditional and discretionary.

Mandatory are services required by regulation or legislation, such as finance, clerks, roads, fire, police, building inspections, recycling, yard waste and planning. Essential services are required to ensure public health and safe or effective functioning, such as water, wastewater, solid waste, information technology and procurement. Traditional services, while non-mandatory and non-essential, are expected by the public, and typically delivered by municipalities, such as parks and recreation, cemeteries and economic development. That leaves discretionary spending, such as medical centres.

He said 85 to 90 per cent of services fall into mandatory, essential and traditional, "so your discretionary spending is actually quite small. This is the first step to really understand where you have discretion," Poloni said, "the reality is, council, you don't have a lot."

He said they also have to look at service levels and if they are above standard, at standard, or below standard.

### Cadillac or Chevette service?

"Are you offering a Cadillac or a Chevette? What level of service do you actually provide in your municipality?"

He said if funding pressures require

looking at spending, they have to consider the matrix of mandatory, essential, traditional and discretionary against above standard, at standard, or below standard services

"If you are running bare pavement in your central core in winter time and you don't have to, you may actually want to look at your service levels as a cost saving measure."

He said they could also look at operating efficiencies, cutting duplication and building in integration.

One suggestion he made was more contracting in, than out. For example, he said an in-house electrician would not be charging \$100-an-hour. He said once they go to the private sector, they are entering a realm of people looking for profits by cutting service. He cautioned to never completely contract out snow plowing. He suggesting giving a volunteer organization a cheque to run parks and recreation programs, so they are not paying somebody \$50-an-hour to water plants.

If they are running discretionary programs below standard, he said townships should be asking themselves, "why are we doing it? and possibly cut it.

He said people who campaign at the municipal government level on a five per cent tax reduction don't understand how local government works. He said local governments now also have to be realistic about finding that four per cent cut.

### Oscar Poloni's tips for local government embarking on service reviews:

- People who use municipal services the most can often afford them the least
- There is an appropriate balance between user fees and municipal taxation for all services
- Realizing savings can take time
- It's important to understand what you want the municipality to do, at what level, before you make changes
- Staff have likely already been finding savings as part of the budget process
- There is very little discretionary spend
- Everything can be improved

"I will tell you that realizing savings takes time. It will take you to eight to 18 months. This is long-term stuff. There are no silver bullets. This is not going to get measured in \$250,00 chunks. They are smaller amounts."

Poloni further suggested savings will be used to redirect capacity, fix areas that are underserviced or be rolled into infrastructure and reserves.



## New playgrounds in Dysart et al

Dysart et al is celebrating new playgrounds at Eagle Lake Beach and the West Guilford Community Centre today.

The new playground equipment was funded with an \$86,800 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation in 2018.

"We are very thankful for the contribution from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to add and replace playground equipment in Eagle Lake and West Guilford," Dysart et al said on its Facebook page.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation said on its website the "initiative is helping infrastructure be accessible and available for physical activity and has an impact on the lives of 4,000 people in the community."

The municipality will celebrate the opening of the new playground at 10 a.m. at Eagle Lake Beach.

The Highlander will have more on the story in its Aug. 8 edition. (Joseph Quigley)







## Bringing back the Milky Way

#### By Lisa Gervais

Patricia Walshe says a friend came to visit her in Minden but opted to spend the night in Muskoka to see the Northern Lights, claiming she couldn't see them in Haliburton County.

Walshe, a member of the Minden Hills Climate Change Advisory Committee (CCAC), made a presentation on light pollution to council July 25. She was joined by Mike Johnson.

Walshe said one only has to go two kilometres south of Minden, towards the Kinmount turnoff, to see the effects of Ministry of Transportation lamp posts that have obliterated viewing of the night sky.

She said the committee's objectives



The Minden Hills Climate Change Advisory Committee is increasingly worried about light pollution in Haliburton County. Flickr.

are threefold: to preserve the dark night sky by limiting light pollution in the town while not compromising safety, security, or putting

unreasonable restrictions on signage; educating people about dark sky; and establishing guidelines around light pollution for the township.

For example, Walshe said there are now no such bylaws in Minden Hills. As a result, she said some private security lights are shining into people's bedrooms and disrupting their sleep. However, the group made some recommendations on more appropriate lighting, that points down, is shielded, and the lens covering the light does not drop down below the shielding. She added that blue light is especially problematic.

Walshe noted that the Muskoka towns of Bracebridge and Huntsville passed light bylaws in 2012 and it had made a difference, as evidenced by satellite images taken in 2017.

The public should care about the issue, she suggested, since: about 35 per cent of light is wasted by unshielded and poorly aimed lighting; light pollution effects nocturnal animals; it can impact human health; and it can hurt tourism since people come to Haliburton County wanting to see a dark night sky.

She said Muskoka and North Frontenac County are now dark sky

While the township is actually doing a good job, Walshe said the MTO streetlights are terrible for light pollution. She also spoke of a sensor being out of whack on a cell tower that was disturbing residents until the committee found the number of the company to have it fixed.

Coun. Pam Sayne said she gets calls from constituents about light pollution and thinks it should be a municipal, not a CCAC, responsibility.

"A bylaw regarding lighting is important for us to consider," she said. "I think it's a critical issue."

Coun. Bob Carter, who is president of the Lake Kashagawigamog Association (LKO), said the issue had come up many times at the LKO, too. He said that more and more, cottagers are increasing the number of lights on their properties, such as on docks and rocks, and it is upsetting loons. He suggested the CCAC get in touch with the CHA (Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Association) to work on a bylaw.

Walshe included bylaws from Huntsville, Gravenhurst and Muskoka in her presentation.

Sayne said it was a job for township staff. Mayor Brent Devolin suggested staff could look into the issue and come back with a report, but Sayne pushed for a draft bylaw. Devolin said they were "a couple of steps from there," needing to look into the Ontario Building Code as well.

Sayne said she didn't want the issue to drag on for six months with nothing done but Devolin said staff had a number of things to work on throughout the remainder of 2019.

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### Two fatalities over busy weekend

### AH calls for OPP protection at dumps

Algonquin Highlands is bringing in an increased police presence at its waste disposal sites in response to worker harassment and illegal dumping.

In a July 26 public notice, Algonquin Highlands said incidents of bylaw infractions at the sites are on the rise, including illegal dumping, dumping without authorization, damage to property and theft.

"In an increasing number of situations, attempts by landfill workers to manage these situations are met with verbal abuse, harassment and threats. This is unacceptable," the notice said.

The township has reached out to OPP to conduct more patrols at the landfills. The municipality has authorized workers to note or photograph licence plates of those behaving badly for the OPP to follow-up.

"Well, this sure is a sad day," Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said on her Facebook page. "What's wrong with people?"

### **OPP** investigate fatal collision

Haliburton Highlands OPP are investigating a fatal head-on collision on County Road 503 in Highlands

OPP along with the Highlands East Fire Department and Haliburton County Paramedic Services (HCPS) responded to the call July 28. In a press release, OPP said two motor venicies were involved.

"One occupant was pronounced deceased at the scene and two others were transported to local hospital with serious, but non-life-threatening injuries," the July 30 press release

The incident wrecked both vehicles. One vehicle involved was burnt out on the scene.

The OPP Technical Collision Investigators attended to assist with the investigation.

Responders closed traffic between Glamorgan Road and Irondale Road at approximately 12:40 p.m. They re-opened the road around 8 p.m.

OPP have not released the name of the deceased or identified any charges

### Kayaker dies at **Three Brothers Falls**

A kayaker from Waterford died after capsizing at Three Brothers Falls July

The 40-year-old male was kayaking alongside an eight-year-old female, according to an OPP press release. The female made it to shore but the male failed to resurface. Neither were wearing life jackets.

OPP, HCPS and the Minden Hills Fire Department responded. Emergency personnel pulled the man from the water and pronounced him dead. (OPP briefs compiled by Joseph Quigley)



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## Council says 'no' to consultant

#### By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills council took a "180 degree turn," in Mayor Brent Devolin's, words to reject the hiring of a consultant to plan how it should spend its Main Street Revitalization Initiative (MSRI) Funding in conjunction with its recently approved Community Improvement Plan (CIP).

At a June 27 council meeting, staff recommended reallocating MSRI funding to the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) and economic development, destination and marketing officer Emily Stonehouse was asked to look into a consultant.

"Upon a report to council highlighting staff's recommendation to utilize the services of a consultant to properly implement the newly adopted CIP, staff was directed to research information pertaining to potential available consulting options," Stonehouse said in a report.

She found two firms willing to do the work. They included Stempski Kelly Associates Inc. They would charge about \$20,000 and take three to four months. They had experience in the City of Kawartha Lakes, Elmira, Campbellford, and Gravenhurst. She said the rest of the money would go into infrastructure recommended in a previous report, and agreed to after consultation with downtown stakeholders. The township got approximately \$43,000 in MSRI money, which must be spent by March 31, 2020.

But Coun. Jean Neville said she objected to using the money to hire a consultant. She said decisions around where the money is spent could be done by Stonehouse and director of community services Mark Coleman along with business owners and other stakeholders who had already been involved in the planning process to date. She felt it would be a waste of money to spend \$20,000 of the remaining \$30,031.29 MSRI money on a consultant.

Coun. Bob Carter agreed, saying



Emily Stonehouse, economic development, destination and marketing officer for Minden Hills council. *File*.

there were countless consultants' studies sitting on council shelves. He said there was already a list of things to spend the money on and Stonehouse's department could get on with it.

However, Mayor Brent Devolin expressed a lack of faith in the business community pulling the project off, saying it had been unable to form a business improvement area (BIA) in the 4.5 years he had been mayor.

But deputy mayor Lisa Schell, in agreeing with Neville and Carter, felt \$30,000 "could buy a lot of tangible things the community would see," rather than spending \$20,000 of that money on a consultant.

Coun. Jennifer Hughey said she trusted Stonehouse to make the right decisions around spending the money. Neville added despite there not

Neville added despite there not being a BIA, downtown businesses

were involved in initial discussions about spending the MSRI funds. "These aren't stupid, ignorant people. We haven't tapped into their ideas and expertise. It would be much better received, much more loved. You would have a made in Minden solution, and that's what it should be," Neville said.

Coun. Pam Sayne added that a BIA might not be the best model for Minden.

Treasurer and CAO Lorrie Blanchard said the consultant would also help with CIP planning. She asked if council wanted a plan, or no plan at all. She added while council did not seem to think things such as colour palettes were important, they are, not just with the MSRI spend but the CIP as well.

It was decided a committee would be struck in September to proceed with the MSRI project.





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### Time for government service reviews

Local government staff, councillors and ratepayers should read our front-page story.

It's a shame that more of you couldn't have been there for Oscar Poloni's state of the union to Minden Hills council on all things provincial government as it relates to Ontario's 444 municipal governments.

It's refreshing to have an outsider come in and share their personal opinion based on years as a municipal government auditor, and one who works for numerous townships.

Poloni drove up from the City of London last Thursday. He is helping a number of governments do service reviews following the spring announcement of a service modernization fund. You might remember, that was the nearly \$3M in found money that is being shared by the county and the four lower-tier municipalities.

While the county has embarked on a service review, it's been pretty quiet at the lower-tier level to date.

Poloni had some good advice.

He's right that there are four types of local government services: mandatory, essential, traditional and discretionary.

It's pretty clear that councils have very little leeway in the first two categories. The mandatory services are regulated or legislated. As Poloni pointed out, corporations don't have to have a CEO or CAO but they must have a treasurer. They need clerks, have to maintain roads, provide fire service, pay for policing, have a building and planning department, and provide landfills and related services.

In the same way, they have to offer water and wastewater, for example, the so-called essential services that are necessary for public health.

Where municipalities should be pointing their spotlights, suggests Poloni, is traditional and discretionary services.

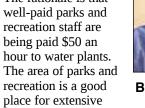
Just because the public expects something does not mean that a municipality has to do it. Or, perhaps the service can still be provided but done by a contractor. Just because something has been done the same way for years, doesn't make it right. Same with discretionary spending. Townships have to ask themselves, "do we need to do

Some of Poloni's examples are good. For example, why can't the County of Haliburton and the four lower-tier municipalities pool their resources to hire an in-house electrician? Surely having someone in-house, and making a good municipal wage, will be cheaper than contracting out the service to the private sector and paying \$100-an-hour.

More and more we are seeing these types of discussions. For example, townships are considering managing their own landfills in-house rather than going to a contractor.

Another example was going to a horticultural society and paying them to do the gardening. The rationale is that well-paid parks and recreation staff are being paid \$50 an hour to water plants. The area of parks and recreation is a good

review.





By Lisa Gervais

Poloni also suggested maintaining capital spending. For example, he advises to maintain a fleet of vehicles so municipalities are not dependent on the private sector for things such as snow plowing since the cost is only going to go

While juggling all of this, councillors and staff have to figure out what level of service they want to deliver and whether it is realistic. Perhaps they have to forego above standards of service and shoot for at standard. If something is below standard, and traditional or discretionary, stop doing

This is the only way they are going to find savings. As Poloni, said, there's no silver bullets here. It will take time. It won't be found in big chunks. Little savings will add up over eight to 18 months.

It's time for the lower-tier municipalities to begin their service reviews too.

### The**Outsider**

### Happy campers

Cowardice or cleverness? That is the question. Now, for my part, I believe that it was a distinct lack of kahunas, but then again, he picked the opposing option, so I would say that.

I should explain. Last weekend, a friend of mine went camping, and, while I did not actually go anywhere, I also camped in my backyard with Little Z and his buddy. My friend went to his campsite on Friday afternoon with his two children plus friends and spent a great night and all-day Saturday enjoying camp life by the lake. However, at some point during the day, he checked the weather forecast and saw that a thunderstorm was coming overnight. So, with no further ado, he packed up his gear and came home. A smart move or a sissy camper? You tell me.

I, on the other hand, did not look at a weather report on Saturday afternoon, and, oblivious to the coming storm, set up a tent with Little Z, got all our sleeping gear stowed and then went fishing with him and his buddy to catch our dinner. Fried fish and hot dogs, all cooked on a camp fire:

wonderful. Two or three beers (albeit a reader has told me that I mention drinking way too much) and the sun went down with the embers aglow and us still none the wiser about the storm.

It wasn't until after dark that the boys and I began to see flashes of sheet lightning way off in the distance but even then, we didn't take heed. Instead, we opted to sit up a little longer and watch the far away light show. Finally, tiredness or that last can of booze took their toll and we all clambered into our sleeping bags and wriggled around trying to find the comfy spot on those lightweight inflatable camping mattresses that are only an inch thick.

I obviously found my spot and was soon snoring happily. I awoke once to the sound of light rain but failed to hear any of the grumblings of the approaching storm until two small boys shook me as a loud crack of thunder exploded overhead. Then it rained. It really rained. In the darkness, it sounded like someone was pelting a tandem load of pea gravel at our tent. The noise was intense. And then the lightning flashed and

our world was lit for a second. Two small boys, faces grimaces or grins, not quite knowing whether

By Will Jones

to laugh or cry. Adrip, on my arm. More lightning, more momentary illumination, more drips. The rain was coming so hard now that there was no way that we were leaving the tent, even to dash up the garden and into the house.

I scooched over out of the drips and reassured my charges that, "it's just a bit of rain."

"KABOOOM" More thunder. Twice, so loud that it felt like the world might have ended right outside the tent and then quiet.

The storm passed and before I knew it, morning had arrived. Nothing got overly soaked, just a soggy end of a sleeping bag and we had a great story to tell. So, cowardice or cleverness on my friend's part? You tell me. I know that I'd do it all



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## Editorial opinion

### **Eye on the street:** Why is it important to shop local & at farmers markets?

by Lisa Gervais



**Aprile Petralito** 

Algonquin Highlands cottager

Keep the mom and pop shops going. And, it's nice to know local vendors.



Ben Kalbus

Minden Hills cottager

You know where it's coming from and it's nice to get to know the people.



**Heather McLeod** 

Minden Hills cottager

To eat fresh food with a story to tell.



### Katelynne Prince

Algonquin Highlands cottager

The food is better and you know where it is coming from. It's grown or made local and you are supporting local businesspeople.



### Renata Boyden

Mountain Lake cottager

The food's fresh and you don't have to worry about what it's grown in. It's just better for you.

### **LETTERS**

## Worried about precedent

Dear editor,

Re: "Controversial McClintock Quarry Advancing" (*The Highlander* July 25, 2019)

The Notice of Completion for the proposed McClintock quarry is of course "devastating" news to the residents of adjacent, tiny, Harvey Lake. But the issue is bigger than just Harvey Lake. The Ontario MNRF is setting a dangerous precedent, opening a Crown land loophole for quarry development while running roughshod over the municipal Official Plan.

Ontario has abundant Crown land, so quarries need to be appropriately sited where there will be minimal environmental and social impact. We are extremely disappointed that Haliburton County, where such a large proportion of our land is Crown land, has not been assertive in making a case to our elected representatives and to the minister of natural resources and forestry to protect our lakes, natural resources and tourism from this blatant trashing of our local planning.

All residents close to Crown land, and all those concerned with responsible Crown land development, should be concerned by this Notice of Completion. The door is open for a quarry close to you.

#### Ronald and Wilma Crago Otter Lake, Dorset

### Editor's note:

Neither Algonquin Highlands nor the County Haliburton had any jurisdiction on the matter as the land in question is owned by the province which had sole jurisdiction on the decision. Algonquin Highlands stood firm in support of its own land-use planning requirements (1,000m) however the province Is not obligated to adhere to municipal land use regulations.

### PHOTOS OF THE WEEK





Top: Dave Ablett thought readers might enjoy this photo, which he calls 'the babysitter.' Submitted photo. Bottom: Edwin Groot of Howland Junction sent in this photograph titled flycatcher yoga, joking, "a flycatcher decided to do its yoga routine in Howland Junction. Seriously, it is just in the middle of grooming and some R&R."

## **Environment Haliburton** calls for more action

Environment Haliburton wants Haliburton County to step up its efforts against climate change.

Vice president Susan Hay presented to council about what Environment Haliburton wants to see the county do to address the issue.

Hay commented on the climate change plan the county is working on.

She said the June 2021 timeline for completion of all phases of the plan is too slow.

"We can't afford to waste two full years before implementing tangible solutions. Is it possible to expedite the climate change plan?"

Hay said there are a number of ideas the county should also explore, including electric car charging stations, a ban on idling and solar panels on municipal buildings.

Warden Liz Danielsen responded that although she could not see how the plan could be sped up, the municipalities are working hard for the environment.

"I'm convinced each one of our four municipalities and the county are more than committed to protecting our environment and to the climate change initiative," Danielsen said.

Hay responded she has noticed many environmental causes she has previously advocated for are being addressed by the local municipalities.

"I'm happy about that," she said.

## Asset management plan approved

The County of Haliburton is charting a new course forward to manage and improve its roads, buildings and other capital assets.

County council voted to approve a new asset management plan July 24.

The plan outlines the current status of assets under municipal control and the future direction the county will take with them.

Coun. Brent Devolin complimented the report and said he hopes members of the public will examine it.

"It lays out where we have to go," Devolin said. "Hopefully, we look at it five years from now, see there are less red pieces there than there is today."

Devolin referred to the number of items with low ratings on various metrics, such as roads with a poor pavement condition.

The plan discusses targets the county will seek to meet in its infrastructure. For example, the county's 10-year target is to improve their roads network overall performance rating from 70 per cent to 80 per cent.

The county's last asset management plan was made in 2014.



Environment Haliburton vice president Susan Hay presented to county council about the ongoing municipal climate change plan July 24. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*.

## County spends \$16,750 for online engagement

The county is planning to have residents "bang the table" online to get their voices heard on the new shoreline tree preservation bylaw.

County council voted to spend \$16,750 for a one-year subscription to Bang the Table, and electronic engagement company. The

service includes tools to host and encourage online conservations, as well as surveys.

Coun. Carol Moffatt said although some might balk at the price tag, the municipality needs to find ways to increase engagement,

"We need a more modern, innovative and possibly exciting way to engage people," she said.

(County of Haliburton News compiled by Joseph Quigley)



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## Proposed health team takes next steps

The proposed Haliburton Highlands Ontario Health Team (HHOHT) has been placed in an 'in-development' category by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC).

The partners learned of the designation on July 18, joining 42 other teams across Ontario in this category. Another 31 have been asked to complete a full application.

HHOHT provided the update to local media this past Monday.

They said that, according to MOHLTC criteria, they are one of the teams that are close to being ready to submit a full application and have demonstrated a high degree of readiness.

They said they will receive "active and targeted" support from the MOHLTC to get them ready for full application later this year.

"HHOHT's application demonstrated a high degree of commitment to a shared vision of patient and community engagement, governance and accountability and the partners will continue to build on these strengths as they move forward in the application process," they said.

HHOHT partners include: Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS); Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team (HHFHT); Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents (PINT); Kawartha North Family Health Team; Midwifery Services of Haliburton-Bancroft (MSHB); Extendicare; ParaMed and CarePartners. There are also a number of collaborators.

In May, local health services organizations in the Haliburton Highlands area responded to the Ontario MOHLTC's call for the establishment of OHTs.

"HHHS is delighted with the positive feedback and is excited to move to the next step of making a seamless health care experience in the Highlands a reality," said Carolyn Plummer, president and CEO at HHHS. (Lisa Gervais)



HHHS president and CEO Carolyn Plummer said the HHOHT is excited to move to the next step of making a seamless health care experience in the Highlands a reality. *File*.





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Minden Hills Terry Fox Run Organizing Committee chair Diane Peacock will step down after this year. File

## Township gets clean audit

The township received an unqualified, or clean audit, opinion from KPMG's Oscar Poloni at its July 25 meeting.

Poloni said his firm had found "no unrecorded audit differences above our posting threshold."

He said some highlights were that the corporation does a good job of collecting taxes and ratepayers are compliant.

He also said they had been hit by insurance settlement amounts for things such as people suing the municipality for falls. The line item 'insurance deductibles and settlements' rose to \$255,834 in 2018, compared to \$85,000 the year before.

He added landfills represented a significant liability, representing over \$1 million and growing, but further noted a \$280,000 increase in provincial government grants.

He also said Minden Hills was no different than the other 443 municipalities in Ontario, that "you don't have enough reserves."

Overall, Poloni told council and staff, "The audit has gone well. Frankly, the audit always goes well."

## Terry Fox Run chair steps down

Mayor Brent Devolin said Diane Peacock was stepping down as chair of the Minden Terry Fox Run organizing committee after this year's event.

He made mention of it during a letter from the committee about the Terry Fox flagraising at the township office on Monday, Sept. 9 for the week.

Devolin said she would leave big shoes to fill.

The run celebrated its 25th year in Minden in 2018, with Terry's brother Fred visiting. They raised \$18,450, just missing the \$300,000 mark overall. This year's run is on Sunday, Sept. 15 at 9:30 a.m. at the community centre.

Peacock told *The Highlander*, "after 20 years, 13 of them as organizer, I feel it is time to pass the torch on to someone else."

## New waste facilities excavator

The township is buying a waste facilities excavator.

Director of public works, Travis Wilson was asked to look into both purchasing and leasing.

He came back with a report saying council had agreed with him that they should buy a Caterpillar 316F from Toromont Caterpillar. The final cost with all the extras is \$295,597.83.

The plan is to internally finance the purchase using available cash reserves, at an interest rate of 4.4 per cent over two years. Further, the interest earned from the internal financing will be placed back into landfill reserves for future operational or capital purchases.

## Mattress recycling program

Staff are proposing a mattress recycling program at Scotch Line.

Wilson said he'd found a company (Recyc-Mattress Inc.) willing to take mattresses and box springs and then strip them down into various components, with all recyclable material sorted and reused in multiple applications. There is mostly metal, but also polyether and polyurethane, polyester, felt, wood and cotton.

"Materials may be used to create thermal isolation, mulch, carpet underlay, metal products and other items," Wilson said in a report.

Now, the township grounds old mattresses and landfills them, taking up valuable landfill space, Wilson said.

He got a price if Recyc-Mattress Inc. leaves a 53-foot trailer on site for five days, then takes the mattresses to their facility, at \$1,700, or \$12 a mattress and box spring in processing costs. It's not known if there would have to be one or two trips a year.

Wilson recommended the cost come from landfill reserves.

The township implemented a new mattress fee at budget talks, which will have to be adjusted if the municipality proceeds with the program.

### Minden Hills news

The township is grappling with where to put free winter sand for the public after complaints of out-of-towners, contractors, businesses and agencies taking it for their own use, as well as residents taking too much.

Providing winter sand

The sand has been traditionally placed at the arena.

Wilson said some neighbouring municipalities (Dysart, Algonquin Highlands and others) put sand at public works depots. Trent Lakes is changing their location to transfer stations, where people must show a card to enter.

He estimated the sand supply cost to the township is \$26,400 a year.

Council received his report and will make a decision in future.

## Milburn and Tennyson roads feels the love

Wilson recommended that the Milburn Road replace the Shuylers Island Road gravel resurfacing project. He said the decision to do some sections of Milburn Road was based on traffic counts under the roads need study.

Council also awarded the RFP for the rehabilitation of Tennyson Road, to Miller Paving Ltd., for a total cost of \$295,223.80

## Council closer to new tourism website

Council approved a recommendation from Emily Stonehouse, its economic development, destination and marketing officer, to pursue an agreement with Sandbox Software Solutions for the design, creation, and execution of a destination/ tourism website exclusive to Minden Hills.

The cost is about \$22,000

Stonehouse said she'd provide regular updates to council on the website creation and development.

(Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais)

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## Highlander business



### **Happy 85th Thomas Contracting**

Francis Thomas Contracting celebrated its 85th birthday in style on Saturday, July 20. Coming to celebrate with the Thomas family and staff were MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott. The company began operating in Canarvon in 1934. Pictured: Scott, Brandon Thomas, Susan Thomas, Schmale, Keith Thomas, John and Britt Ross. (*Lisa Gervais*) *Photo submitted*.





## Highlander arts



### Community of Making looking for playmates

### By Joseph Quigley

The Haliburton County Public Library (HCPL) and the rest of the Community of Making are trying to bring more groups into the fold to help preserve creative programming.

HCPL, the Haliburton School of Art + Design (HSAD) and 100.9 Canoe FM met with organizations across the county July 23 with a proposal to have them join the Community of Making. The collaborative initiative has primarily been operated by the HCPL and offers Maker Space equipment and technology-based programming for public use.

Now, the community is looking to expand by partnering with new organizations. **HCPL** Community of Making animator Noelia Marziali said more partners would enhance programming.

"Projects like these are so important in rural communities, especially in creative communities," Marziali said. "Anyone that believes in sharing resources and skills and building each other up, that's basically what we're trying to do."

The Community of Making officially formed in 2017 as a co-operative project, using funds from the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) and private donors.

But funding has dried up. The Community of Making is applying for an Ontario Trillium Foundation Grow Grant in

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November, which would be worth a minimum of \$50,000 a year.

The groups at the July 23 meeting discussed different ways the collaborative could move forward and grow. Marziali said she felt it went well.

"We just want to all be on the same page as best we can," Marziali said. "We want to make sure they know that we're there for them. We have all these resources we don't want to be unused.'

Haliburton Museum director Kate Butler said creativity is at the core of Haliburton.

"The more ways we can connect people up and get people working together, the better," Butler said.

HCDC consultant Jim Blake said the programming can help provide better access to exciting tools.

"In a rural community, kids and adults don't have the same kind of access that they would in larger communities," Blake said. "How can we make that happen in a rural community?'

Marziali said the HCPL is planning to be at more events with Maker Space and do further collaborations in the fall. But the organization also hopes to take a step back in its role as the primary driver for the collaborative.

"We just don't have the staff power," she said. "But we are doing some fundraising now and in little ways, we'll be able to keep up some version of this.

"We don't have to reinvent the wheels for

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Haliburton County Development Corporation consultant Jim Blake said the Community of Making initiative is a way to give people in a rural community better access to equipment. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

any of these organizations already there," Marziali further said. "We can just come in

and pump it up a little and bring in more people with a diverse range of tools."

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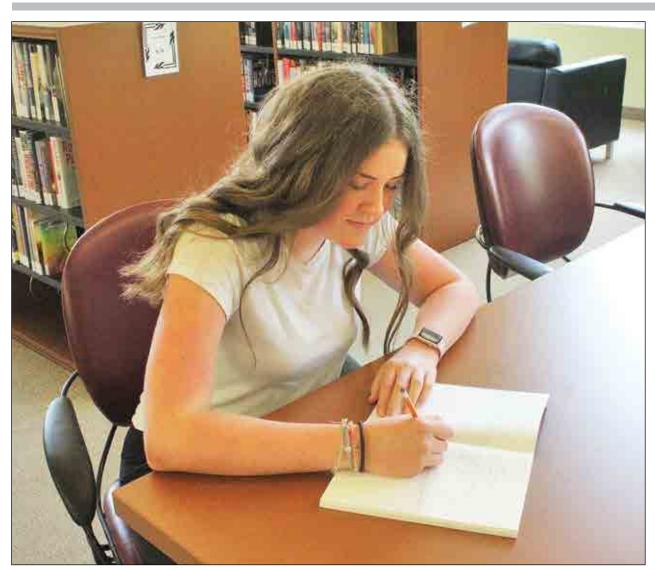
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## Highlander arts



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Haliburton library employee Ania Smolen writing her thoughts in the journals. Photo by Meagan Secord

### Haliburton writing collective poem

### By Meagan Secord

Toronto based artist Brooke Manning is encouraging the community to write down their thoughts as part of a county-based poem for her Halls Island Residency.

"I like the idea of randomness that this provides, and I really enjoy seeing different perspectives from different humans move in flow with each other," she said.

Six journals are placed in libraries throughout the county for people to write their own poetry, thoughts and anything else. The journals will be moved to new locations at the beginning of August and then collected so Manning can write a community poem using the material.

"When brainstorming ideas for my Halls Island community project, this one came very quickly and naturally,"

said Manning, one of 11 artists coming to the island this summer.

As part of the residency, artists must hold a community session to share their art or poems with locals to give back for the two weeks they've spent

"Several years ago, I did a few projects that were similar in nature (to the journals) though for one evening only, and only in galleries," she said.

The final poem will be Manning's community session.

"Each artist comes up with their own idea for the community sessions," said Joan Duhaime, arts administrator for the residency. "So, I'm not sure what the poem will look like when she's done and in book form."

The program invites artists to the Highlands and encourages them to recharge their creativity and get inspired by the location.

"We want to give artists an opportunity to expand or reflect," said Duhaime. "Use the time to attempt, whatever their artistic practice is, and also give back to the community and make that connection with Haliburton."

The guests stay at a cottage on Koshlong Lake's Halls Island that was donated by a local family.

All types of artists, writers, painters, musicians, sculptors, poets, etc., are welcome to apply.

"The nature was idyllic and very moving. It felt very powerful to be creating work with my partner, Viktor Cahoj," said Manning about her time in the residency program. "We used the residency to create a book of poetry and photographs that speak to one another. "



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### Health Unit news

There's plenty of food for thought in a new report that lays the groundwork for how a strong and vibrant food system could blossom in Haliburton County.

Food forum follow-up

The report, written by research consultant Melissa Johnston, summarizes key findings from a Food and Agriculture Economic Development Forum in Minden in March. The forum, organized by Harvest Haliburton, shone a spotlight on food and agriculture-related projects in Haliburton County and let attendees brainstorm ways to nurture the growing sector.

The Heath Unit said The Harvest Haliburton report outlines six priorities that could be pursued to enhance Haliburton's food system, including: to develop a Taste of the County brand that promotes local food to residents and visitors; create an online information hub that lets people easily find and access locallyproduced foods; review current policies and regulations – including municipal bylaws – that may impact or hinder local food production; explore the feasibility of a local food distribution model; set up an Agricultural Economic Development Advisory Committee for Haliburton County and put climate change and food security at the forefront of all food-related initiatives.

Copies of the report – and condensed 'action plan' report summarizing the food forum's discussions – are available at harvesthaliburton.com

### Rabies reminder

Temperatures are not the only thing on the rise these days. So, too, is the frequency of local residents being bitten or scratched by animals, putting them at risk of rabies or other serious injuries, the health unit reports.

Year-to-date in 2019, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health has investigated approximately 300 incidents in which people were bitten or scratched by an animal, potentially exposing them to rabies.

Just under two-thirds of these cases in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes have occurred since April 1.

The Health Unit encourages people to be careful around wild animals and pets, especially as a bite or scratch can put them at risk of serious injury and potential exposure to rabies.

Pet owners should also be responsible by making sure their animals are leashed, under control, and discouraged from running free unless they are in a designated dog park. This can also be good for pets, as it may reduce their exposure to wild animals that may have rabies. Regular rabies vaccination of pets is also essential.

To learn more, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 5006, or visit hkpr.

### Help to butt out smoking

Area residents trying to quit smoking can go online and order something that won't cost them a cent, but which makes plenty of sense for their long-term health, the health unit says.

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The Smokers' Helpline is providing the free trial packages until the end of November. To order a package, people can go online (smokershelpline.ca/trialoffer) or call 1-877-513-5333.

(Health Unit news compiled by Lisa Gervais)



### Haliburton and Minden auxiliaries raise \$7,900

The Minden Health Care Auxiliary held their annual Tag Day Friday, July 19. The members thanked the community for their generous donations of \$2,100. Meanwhile, the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary tag day on July 26 brought in \$5,800. They said the order for a \$6,000 Accuvien has been placed. "This piece of equipment will help ease the pain of repeated needle sticks to get a blood sample or IV on a daily basis in the ER and the hospital." They also thanked the public. (*Lisa Gervais*)

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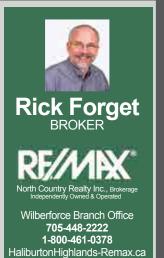
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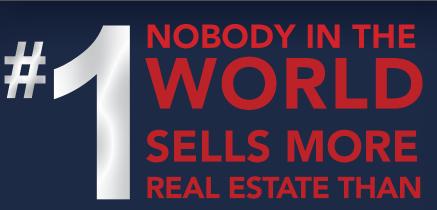
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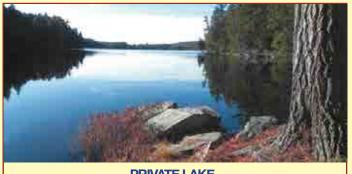
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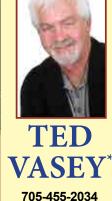
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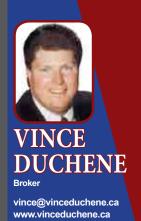
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Cottager Luke Jenkins stands atop his boat on Head Lake. Jenkins learned to fish in the Minden area and has since gone on to fish competitively across the United States. Photo by Joseph Quigley

### Cottager reels in new competition

### By Joseph Quigley

Minden cottager Luke Jenkins earned a bruise the first time he helped reel in a fish on Gull Lake at age three.

"I handed him the rod and I said 'okay, you land it," his grandfather Howard Converse said. "He's got the rod, his eyes are real big and he's having a great time, holding on ... From that time on, anytime we could, we were fishing."

Now 21, Jenkins is fishing on a much bigger stage. The Ohio-native has gone competitive with Northern Kentucky University, leading his team to fish at national levels against hundreds of people.

"It's opened a lot of doors," Jenkins said. "It allows me to be competitive and it allows me to put my drive and competitiveness towards something."

But fishing was not always how he planned to compete.

He spent 10 years playing competitive hockey. But after getting hit into the boards and suffering a concussion, that door closed to him. He was medically told to stop playing.

"I missed 65 days of school and I'm not cleared to play any form of contact sport," Jenkins said. "I didn't have any way to get rid of my competitiveness in a constructive manner."

He discovered Northern Kentucky University, a school he was already exploring, had a fishing team. It was a sport he was allowed to do and he took the opportunity, joining the team in his freshman year.

Jenkins credits his passion for fishing from his days on Gull Lake alongside his father and grandfather. His family cottages there every summer in the Miner's Bay area.

But fishing in tournaments is different from fishing in cottage

"Competition is very steep. For me, I try to set personal goals," Jenkins said. "I've been improving since I've been

Those tournaments have taken him across the US. He has placed in the top-three at local tournaments but has not yet managed to place highly amongst the bigger competition, which may attract hundreds of boats.

His family has supported his endeavours. Converse said they want to see Jenkins compete nationally in Alabama.

"Anytime we would have an opportunity in the future, we just hope to be able to attend and watch him fish," Converse said. "He really likes it, but how he takes it, it hasn't changed who he is. It's just made him more intensive."

For now, Jenkins said he plans to stick with fishing. As president of the Northern Kentucky University team, he has helped recruit people to the school to join the program.

"I want to grow my team," he said. "There's a lot of infrastructure to continue to tournament fish. I'd love to be able to continue to do that."

When competition wraps up, he still has time for days fishing around the County of Haliburton, returning to the lakes where he first learned. He said he loves how much more plentiful the fish are here.

"It's been one of my favourite places to come up," Jenkins said. "Everything's super clean, super nice."



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## Highlander outdoors





Top: From left to right: Kristy Wabrik and Michael Nelson trimming and cleaning the garlic before it gets hung to dry. Bottom: The garlic hanging on the walls is not even half of what the organization grew this year. *Photos by Meagan Secord.* 

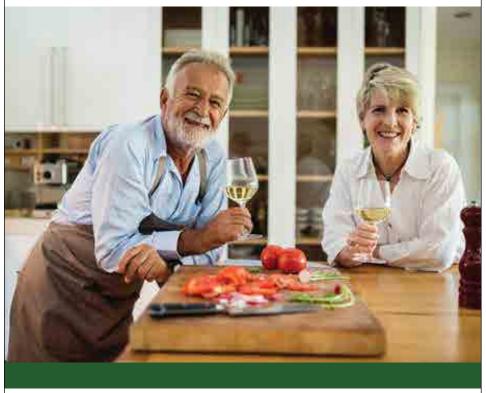
### Bumper crop of garlic at Abbey Gardens

It's all hands on deck at Abbey Gardens as they harvest this season's crop of garlic. 4,500 blubs were planted in the fall and now they are being pulled, trimmed, cleaned and hung to dry. This process is taking place at the storefront and the garlic will be hanging on the patio wall for two to three weeks while it cures. "We had a decent crop last year which is why there's so much being grown this year," said Heather Reid, director of Abbey Gardens. (Meagan Secord)



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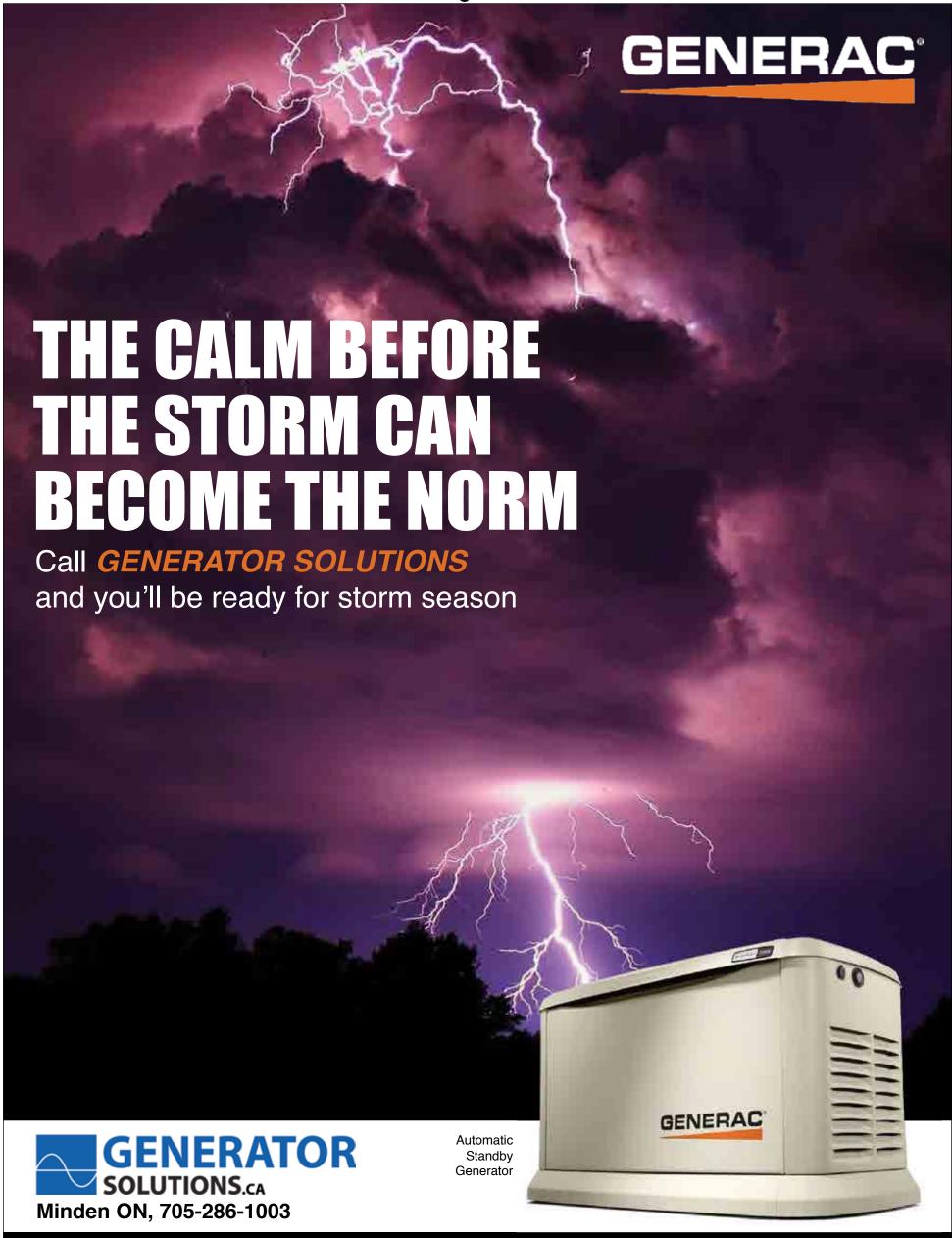
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## Highlander outdoors



Carolyn Langdon shows a participant how to trim a cannabis plant. Photo by Meagan Secord.

### Just another plant

### By Meagan Secord

Owner of Wild Edibles Haliburton Carolyn Langdon is teaching people about cannabis plants and how to grow them.

For the amateur botanist, cannabis plants are just another plant to grow in the garden and learn about.

"To gardeners, the marijuana plant is just another plant in the ground," she said.

The eight-person group spent the afternoon of July 13 learning how to "cut" or "clone" the clippings of cannabis plants in order to grow more.

"It's really a question of are you able to grow your own and get a better quality? The answer is yes," she

That's not all attendees learned. Discussions were also had around eating plants, weeds and roots from the natural environment and what plants are good for the human body.

John Dynes, one of the attendees, commented on how pharmaceuticals are a new addition to the health field and should not be used as frequently as they are.

"One thing people forget is the main medical establishment has only been around for 100 years or so," he said. "But natural medicine has been around a lot longer than that."

The group spoke about their experiences with main stream drugs and some of them started taking the course because of bad memories with pharmaceuticals. Others took an interest as gardeners.

The next Wild Edibles session is about cannabis harvesting and curing on September 7.

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## Highlander people

## Special effects fatality touches Halls Lake

#### By Lisa Gervais

As they grapple with the workplace death of their son, Warren, Dave and Dona Appleby of Halls Lake can take solace in the love of family and friends, their niece, Hope Thompson told The Highlander.

Warren Appleby died July 18 in an accident during a special effects test for the series Titans in Toronto.

He was a partner in Toronto-based special effects company, Acme FX, a husband and father of two young boys.

He was also the son of Dave, a volunteer in the Haliburton community, driving seniors to medical appointments, and Dona, a nurse at the Haliburton hospital.

"The love of family and friends have always been important to Dona and Dave, and now more than ever," Thompson said last week while taking a break from teaching a screenwriting course at the Haliburton School of Art and Design (HSAD).

She said the family had cottaged in Haliburton County since the 1950s.

Thompson said she was Warren's older cousin and that he was "the first of a new wave of cousins, which was exciting to me as a kid." Warren was "happy, playful and very bright-eyed."

She said he went on to become "a wonderful, kind, generous person who had all the values that his family has.

Dona was telling me on the phone that she's discovering so many kind things that he did that she had no idea about. Warren and his wife, Jenn, and two sons, Logan and Wyatt, live in the Scarborough area and Dona was relating how a Syrian family had moved into the area and Warren went over and helped them set-up all their furniture."

Thompson said it's not surprising, since the Applebys are "very, very generous, kind people ... and they have these traits, ethics, morals, qualities, that are very upstanding. And Warren exemplified this in his life and with his own family."

Thompson said she was preparing to deliver the HSAD course when she got the devastating and shocking news that had left her with a hollow feeling.

"It's a very hard loss to take. Family and friends are so important at these times," she said.

Thompson reminisced that because Warren was in special effects, he did things on a big scale. He made things happen.

"You want it to snow, he made it snow. You want it to rain, he made it rain. You wanted to blow up something, he could blow up something."

She said when Dona and Dave were talking about a new dock at Halls Lake, Warren said it wasn't going to be just any dock. Warren built this "huge, amazing, steel contraption that winches up the dock at the end of the season—just bigger than big."

She said Warren followed in Dave's footsteps. Dave had a career as an award-winning sound engineer, working predominately out of Deluxe in Toronto.

"[Warren's] career was in this public world of film and television. The news of his death has spread all over the world."

Appleby worked on RoboCop, in the early days and other recent credits included the series The Strain and the films It, It Chapter Two and The Shape of Water.

A memorial last Sunday on the lakeshore attracted 2,000 people. His funeral was held the day before in Scarborough for family and friends.

At some point, he will also be remembered on Halls Lake, Thompson said.

"I would say it was a very special place to him because family is very important and the cottage represented family."



Top row: Warren; middle row: Dona and Dave; bottom row: Laura, Alexis and Stephanie Appleby. Submitted photo. *Submitted photo*.

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### Feline funding

Paulmac's Pets in Minden donated \$1,223 to Minden Cat Angels on Monday, July 29. Pictured, left to right, Paulmac Pet's owner Nancy Crowther, and Aafien May (volunteer), Monica Hamilton Elliot and Don Kerr of Minden Cat Angels. Meanwhile, this kitten named Dodger is being cared for at Paulmac's. Paulmac's reminds the public to not dump kittens and cats. There are places to take them in the community, such as Paulmac's and Minden Cat Angels. Dodger is pictured with Heather Welham. Photos by Lisa Gervais.



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### **OBITUARIES**

### Fred Morgan

(Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Sunday morning July 28, 2019 in his 87th year. Beloved husband and best friend of the late Gayl Morgan. Loving father of Debbie (Jeff Burgess) and Gregory. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Amy, Daniel, Haley, Brett, Jarrett and Wyatt. Predeceased by his parents Nathan & Margaret Morgan, his brother David (2003), his sister Ruth (2006). Also lovingly remembered by his sisterin-law Diane, his nephews Rodney (Debby) and David (Sherry). Fred joined the Royal Canadian Air Force as a Test Pilot for Flight Instrumentation and was stationed in Saskatoon, SK where he met the love of his life Gayl. They married on July 23, 1955 and then transferred to Ottawa, Ontario. Once Fred retired from the Air Force, they eventually settled in Brampton, Ontario. Fred and Gayl started an Industrial Control

 $business\ in\ 1976\ and\ after\ 25\ years, sold\ the\ business\ and\ retired\ to\ their\ cottage\ in\ Haliburton,\ Ontario.\ Their\ fairy tale$ story ended after 58 years of marriage with the passing of Gayl on July 10, 2013. Fred enjoyed reminiscing of his time in the Air Force and with time spent with his wife Gayl. We loved to hear the many stories of their time spent together. Fred  $also\,enjoyed\,sitting\,on\,the\,patio, reading\,and\,looking\,at\,the\,gardens.\,He\,enjoyed\,Netflix\,and\,taking\,care\,ofhis\,cat,\,Muffy.$ 

#### Private Visitation, Memorial Service & Reception

Funeral arrangements are private. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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### **EVENTS**

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### **HIGHLANDS EAST**



YARD SALE - 2 family moving sale, Saturday August 3rd. Tools, rooster collection, old books, new and used clothing sizes small - 2xl, Yu-Gi-Oh trading card game set, furniture, chainsaw, artist tubes of oil paint, and much much more. 1236 Wenona Lake Rd.

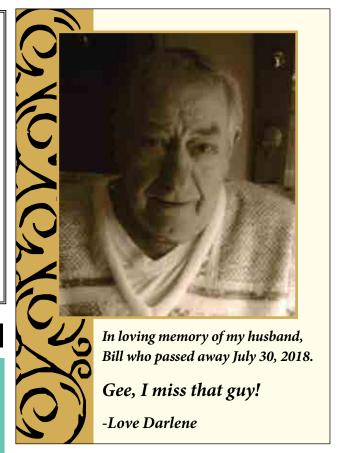
SAT, AUG 3rd, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., 269 Pine Ave., Haliburton - Furniture, kitchen items, electronics, indoor/outdoor games, garden tools, lawn mowers, water fountain, patio umbrella, Toronto Maple Leaf memorabilia. Rain date: Sun., Aug 4th.

GARAGE SALE, Sat August 3, 9 am-3 pm. 192 Bobcaygeon Rd. Tools & much more. Rain date Aug 4.

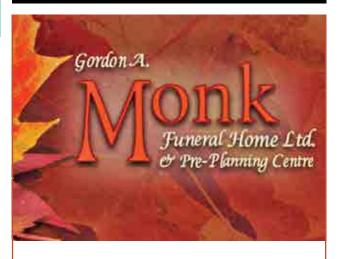
YARD SALE - Sat. Aug 3, 9am-3pm. 1074 Paradise Cove Rd. off 118 (east) 5 mins. from town. Rain date Sunday. Downsizing, something for everyone.

DOWNSIZING SALE, Saturday August 3rd, 9am-2pm, 134 Bobcaygeon Rd Minden - Antiques, books, art, storage shelving, collectibles, china and so much more.

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### **Sounds Like a Party!**

### **by Barbara Olson** © ClassiCanadian Crosswords

#### **Across**

- 1 Two-footed walker
- 6 JFK's assassin
- 9 Red Deer's prov.
- 13 "Toodle-oo," in Toulouse
- **14** They may come out of the cooler early?
- 16 The central and vital thing
- 18 '80s show "Wok With
- **19** Bruin in the night sky
- 20 Life of Riley
- 21 Sound at the start of "gym"
- 23 Blue Bombers' grp.
- 25 "Sick, dude!"
- 28 Defeatist's rhetorical query
- 31 Nickname of Dallas, Tex.
- 34 Down times
- 35 Canadian writer Lisa
- 36 Co-writer of "Imagine"
- 37 Gibson or Torme
- 38 "\_\_\_ So Shy" (Pointer Sisters
- **40** Ton, ta, \_
- 41 Took the wrong way?
- 43 Visual "hubba hubba!"
- 45 "Show me you can"
- 46 Family-friendly cry of frustration
- 49 Lo or chow follower
- 50 Cops at some T.O crime scenes
- **51** Furniture store array
- 54 Haing of "The Killing Fields"
- 56 Abbr. beside 911, maybe
- 58 Red wine variety, for short
- **60** After Bite or baking soda paste
- 63 Charles Lamb, notably
- 64 \_\_-ground missile
- **65** Sales slip figs. in most of Canada
- 66 His or her, in Hull
- 67 Maxwell House shelf mate

### Dow

- 1 Treat with kid gloves
- 2 Brainstorming output
- 3 Heavy load for a mover
- 4 Slippery swimmer

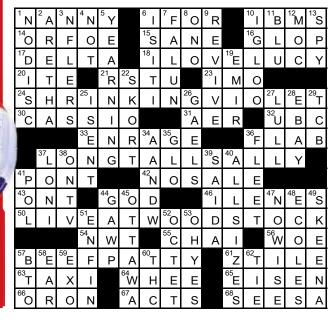
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- 6 Senior's care aides: Abbr.
- 7 Went ape
- 8 It's in the veins
- **9** Candy's costar in "Canadian Bacon"
- 10 Charge for using, as property
- 11 Lens for far-away shots
- 12 Deaflympics worker's skill
- 15 Butter wt., often
- 17 Diamond-patterned, as socks
- **22** Rev. of rev.
- 24 Does some angling
- 26 "Able was \_\_\_ saw Elba"
- 27 Colgate competitor
- 29 Blob of whipped cream, say
- 30 Meditative murmurs
- 31 Sentimental body part, in poesy
- **32** Bible beginning, before "beginning"
- 33 Utterly silly behaviour

- 37 Blue part of "une carte"
- 39 Newbie crossword solver's need
- **42** Like the Amazon River, next to the rest
- 44 Cost of doing business
- 45 "Fer shure!"
- **47** "The old age of youth," per Victor Hugo
- 48 "M\*A\*S\*H" war
- 52 Bitter-tasting
- 53 "It's \_\_\_ say, but I'm afraid ..."
- 55 Madrid mama bears
- 57 Executive grps.
- **59** Abbr. phonetically suggested by the first word of 16-, 28-, 46 and 60-Across
- 60 Come crawling back, say
- 61 "\_\_\_ for Innocent" (Grafton mystery)
- 62 Lost soldier stat.



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## What's on

### **AUGUST 2019 • EVENT LISTINGS**

### **Thursday August 1**

Falls Prevention Course, open to all seniors free of charge - Tuesdays and Thursdays. July 9 through Sep 26th. Registration required. Contact 705-457-2941 x 2938 or infocc@hhhs.ca.

10 – 11 a.m., at Hyland Crest Fireside Lounge.

11 a.m. – noon, at Haliburton Hospital Ruth Parkes room.

1 – 2 p.m., at Keith Tallman Memorial Arena, Wilberforce.

10 am - 11:30 a.m. - Family Sculpture Forest Tour - New this year is the family tour. Enjoy an hour and a half together as a family as you are guided on a themed tour. This tour is suitable for all ages and takes breaks for games related to the tour!

7 – 8:30 p.m. - Highlands Storytellers Circle is meeting in the Canoe FM Radio Hall. Bring a story to tell or just come to listen. All welcome, no charge. For more information call Bob at 705 457 8617.

### August 27 - October 1, 2019

Powerful Tools for Caregivers – free 6-week workshop for caregivers, every Tuesday from Aug 27-Oct 1, 1 – 2:30 p.m. at Haliburton Hospital, Ruth Parkes Room. Pre-registration required, call 1-866-971-5545 or visit ceselfmanagement.ca.

### **Friday August 2**

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - All Day Arts and Outdoors Camp at the Sculpture Forest. New this year, in partnership with Haliburton Highlands Museum, a day camp for ages 7 – 12. \$10/child (plus \$5 each for before/after care if required.)

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Stanhope, 1095 North Shore Rd., every Friday until August 30

7 – 10 p.m. – Gord Kidd & Friends Ian

Midnight Madness, by Shoppers Drug Mart Haliburton.

#### **Saturday August 3**

Kinmount Artisans Marketplace annual art show and sale - this year's theme: "The Artful Canoe". Join us at 4995 Monck Rd., Kinmount, below the community centre. For more info contact Darlene 416-677-6681 or Liz 705-488-2896.

9 – 11 a.m. – St. Peter's Anglican Church, Maple Lake - Pancake Breakfast. Pancakes, sausage, real maple syrup, juice, coffee, tea. By donation.

9 a.m. - DSLPOA Event - Ced Hurd Memorial Swim, Leinauer's Beach. Registration 9 a.m., Race start 10 a.m. Coordinator Christine Young 705-457-3622. No alcohol. Please leave dogs at

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Minden, at Prince St. & Milne St., every Saturday until October 12.

10 a.m. – Community Therapeutic Yoga, gentle movement and breathing with Dianne Levine, at Abbey Retreat Centre. Drop-in classes every Saturday until Aug 31st. Stay after class and try a nutritious smoothie or snack.

2 p.m. – DSLPOA Event: Novelty Swim Day, at Podmore Beach. Coordinators the Booth Family 705-457-2998. Please bring your kayaks with you. No alcohol. Please leave dogs at home.

### **Sunday August 4**

10:30 a.m. - Sizzlin' Summer Service 12 in the Park – Head Lake park in Haliburton. Presented by The Church in Haliburton, this popular service features casual and contemporary live music. Song sheets, water and a large covered area will be provided,

Pay, Scott Lawson and Scott Russell, at refreshments to follow. Admission by donation. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Donations to Heat Bank Haliburton appreciated. All are welcome. Rain lo9cation is Lakeside Baptist Church in Haliburton.

> 2 p.m. - DSLPOA Event: Fun day and hot dog bbq at the Fish Hatchery, 6712 Gelert Rd. Coordinator Brian Hentschel 705-457-1022. No alcohol. Please leave dogs at home.

#### **Tuesday August 6**

Falls Prevention Course, open to all seniors free of charge - Tuesdays and Thursdays. July 9 through Sep 26th. Registration required. Contact 705-457-2941 x 2938 or infocc@hhhs.ca.

10 - 11 a.m., at Hyland Crest Fireside

11 a.m. - noon, at Haliburton Hospital Ruth Parkes room.

1 – 2 p.m., at Keith Tallman Memorial Arena. Wilberforce.

10 a.m. - Tour the Sculpture Forest, experience all 34 magical sculptures and 4 one-of-a-kind benches as you explore the forest on a fully guided tour.

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Haliburton, Head Lake Park, every Tuesday until October

7 – 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, Tuesday nights at Haliburton Secondary School Gym, \$2/person, racquets provided. For more info contact Jennifer 705-749-3787 jbcoates@xplornet.ca.

### **Wednesday August 7**

12:10 - 12:50 p.m. - Curator's Choice Sculpture Forest Tour – Each Wednesday during the lunch hour your tour guide will choose a handful of sculptures to explore based on a common theme, subject to change each week.

### **ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS**

#### **HALIBURTON BRANCH**

Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1pm Tuesdays: Fun darts starting at 7pm

Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 pm start. Bingo Doors open at 6 pm, Bingo starts at 7 pm - \$500 Jackpot \$1000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month

Thursdays: General Meeting Third Thursday of the month starting at 7 pm. All members urged to attend. Ladies Auxiliary. Last Thursday of the month at 1 pm

Fridays: Cribbage 1 pm start. Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 pm, Last draw a 6:30 pm, Tickets are \$2 per draw... Chester Howse, MC Darts Friday fun darts – 4:30 pm onwards

Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 pm draw-tickets are \$1 each available from noon onwards

Sundays: Breakfast Second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 am – 1 pm \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed

#### MINDEN BRANCH

Monday- every second week rug hooking;

Tuesday - seniors art classes 10 a.m., bid euchre 1.

Wednesday, meat draw noon;

Thursday - mixed darts and euchre 7 p.m.;

Friday - 7 p.m. mixed darts

Saturday - meat draw 1 p.m.

Sunday - sports day noon. Lunches every Mon.- Fri with Friday featuring fish and chips and chicken wings also served 5-7 p.m. Take-out available. Everyone welcome.

### KINMOUNT BRANCH

Wednesday - Darts 7 p.m. Friday Bingo - Starts at 6:45 p.m.

Saturday - Meat Draw 5 p.m. Karaoke 7-11 p.m.

### **WILBERFORCE BRANCH**

Aug 2 Ham & Scalloped dinner 5 - 7 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m.

Meat draw 2 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. SHARP. If Aug 3 you come out offer to help sell tickets.

Aug 6 Executive meeting 7 p.m.

Aug 5 Bid Euchre 7 p.m.

Fun Darts Aug 7

Aug 8 HHHC social rec. drop in. Come out for coffee/tea or juice, cards, board games, crafts, Tec. time, pool or just to chat FREE 10a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Up coming events

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## What's on

## Authors join artisans for 13th Tour de Forest



Artists at a past Tour de Forest tour show off their wares to the public. File.

#### By Lisa Gervais

For the first time, the Kaleidoscope of Local Authors will join local artisans at the 13th annual Tour de Forest Summer Studio Tour this coming weekend.

Charlene McConnell said it's an historic first for local authors and artisans to feature both visual and literary media during the always popular tour. It is also the second annual Kaleidoscope event.

"I'm quite excited to have authors on the tour this year. They add a whole new dimension to the creative process for our visitors to enjoy," McConnell said.

This year, the Kaleidoscope of Authors will feature seven local authors. The public can drop by Studio D, at 1513 Eagle Lake Rd., and learn 'the rest of the story' as they speak with the authors about where their ideas came from, McConnell said

Author Irene Davidson Fisher said, "The authors are thrilled to be part of the Tour de Forest Summer Studio Tour and are grateful to Laurie O'Reilly for providing a venue for us."

In all, this year's tour will feature 27 artisans and 11 studios. "This is a great opportunity to see first-hand the amazing craftsmanship of our local artisans," McConnell said.

There will be fabric art, wood, photography, paintings, pottery, mixed media, sculptures, jewellery, drawings, metal, stained glass and glassblowing, fused glass and quilts.

McConnell said it's a great place to find a unique gift.

"What could be more exclusive than a gift hand-crafted by a local artisan? How about an autographed book from a local author?"

Brochures with maps will be distributed around and beyond the Haliburton Highlands. Studio Tour information is available at haliburtontourdeforest.com. People can also visit the Tour de Forest Facebook page for up-to-date information and the studio tour map.

Dates are: Aug. 3 and 4, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.









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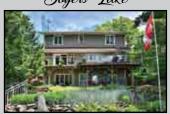
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### Drag lake<sup>-</sup>



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### Burnt River



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### Grass Lake



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### Drag Lake



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### **HLANDS - AUGUST 2019**

### **THURSDAY**

### **FRIDAY**

### **SATURDAY**

Falls Prevention Course for seniors, Minden, Haliburton and Wilberforce locations.

10 am - 11:30 a.m. - Family Sculpture Forest Tour

7 - 8:30 p.m. - Highlands Storytellers Circle, at Canoe FM Radio Hall.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Arts and Outdoors Camp at the Sculpture Forest.

Noon - 4 p.m. - Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Stanhope

7 - 10 p.m. - Gord Kidd & Friends at Midnight Madness in Haliburton.

9 - 11 a.m. - St. Peter's Anglican Church, Maple Lake -

9 a.m. - DLSPOA Event - Ced Hurd Memorial Swim.

Pancake Breakfast.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Minden.

p.m. ice Sculpture

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10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Social Recreation Program for Seniors, at Wilberforce Legion.

9 a.m. - noon. - Social Recreation Program for Seniors, at Highland Hills United Church Minden.

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Stanhope

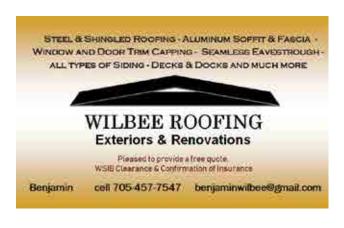
6:30 - 11:30 p.m. - "Rock Our World", Haliburton Highlands Land Trust fundraising dance, at Haliburton Legion.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Minden.

10 a.m. - Eagle Moose Lake Property Owners Association AGM at Sir Sams Inn.

10 a.m. - Community Therapeutic Yoga, at Abbey Retreat Centre.

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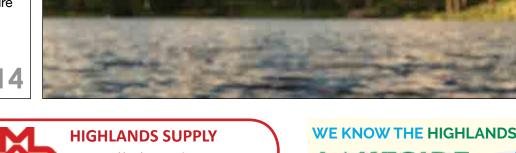
2:30 p.m. -Health Clinic, Unit at 1-866ice Sculpture 14

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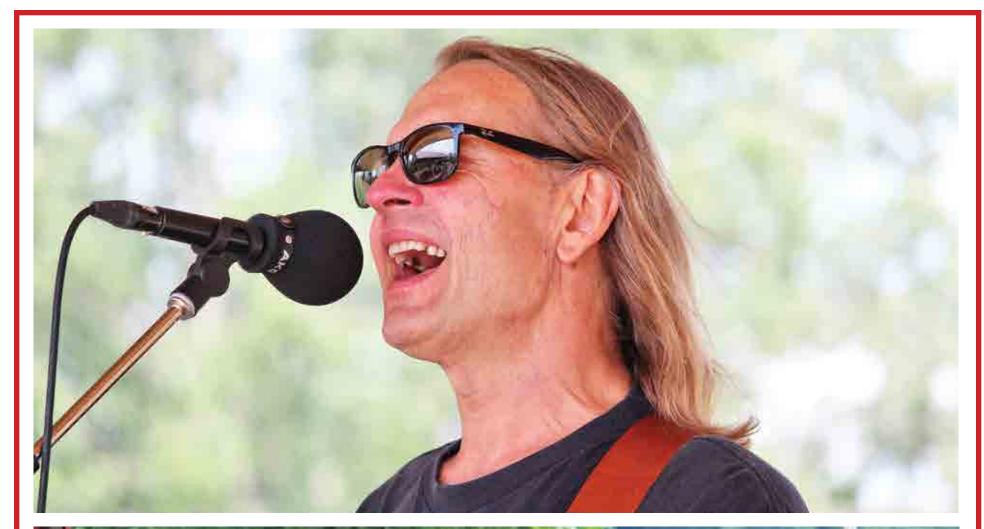
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Top: The Rockin' Bobs lead singer belts out a tune at the 2018 edition of the Gooderham Music Festival. The band will cap off the second annual festival Aug. 3. Bottom: 2018 Gooderham Music Festival goers bust a move on the outdoor dance floor. *File photos*.

## Gooderham Music Festival returns

#### By Joseph Quigley

The Gooderham Community Action Group (GCAG) is bringing back the hamlet's summer music festival and making it bigger for its second edition Aug. 3.

The Gooderham Music Festival will feature five bands and run from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Robert McCausland Community Centre. The second annual outdoor concert will spotlight an array of local performers, finishing off with The Rockin' Bobs.

GCAG chair Denise Winder said organizers have expanded the event four additional hours, adding more vendors, bands and increasing their set-length. She added since the event was popular last year, the group wanted to bring it back.

"It's just what you do when you're successful the first year," Winder said. "We're trying to attract even more people from year to year. How do you do that? You offer them more."

The event is free, but donations are accepted to cover the costs, Winder said. She added people were generous last year.

"We're quite happy with that because we do feel if people have to pay to come out to some of these functions, we wouldn't get as many people."

The other bands performing are all new to the festival and include Rick Fines, The Recycled Teenagers featuring Sherri Hawkins as well as Gary and the Rough Ideas.

The Rockin' Bobs drummer James Stewart said his band wanted to return after how much fun it was last year.

"It's going to be a really good show for everybody," Stewart said. "Small town

is basically the heartbeat of everything. I like playing the small-town festivals. I just hope everybody gets a chance to come out and enjoy themselves. Hopefully, it's going to be a nice little day," he added.

Winder said the group does not-profit or break-even on the festival, but members hope to make it an annual tradition regardless.

"People want to see this in our area and that was communicated to us last year. Keep it going," Winder said. "We'll keep it going as long as people will come."





Top: The Minden Bible Church is preparing for a brand new event to raise money for worldwide water security. Left to right: Angie Xerri, Sharon Ganesh, Debra Tammi, Steve Tammi. Bottom: Isabelle Xerri, Trent Kenney and Adria Berry. *Photos by Joseph Quigley.* 

# Walking six kilometres in their shoes

#### By Joseph Quigley

The Minden Bible Church is inviting people to walk six kilometres in the shoes of people who lack water security.

The church is hosting the first-ever Minden Water Walkers event Aug. 3. The walk, in partnership with World Vision Canada, aims to raise money to provide people in need with clean drinking water.

Organizer Sharon Ganesh said the church wanted to get involved with the global movement.

"From our perspective, what we wanted to do is not just raise money for the water projects that World Vision is doing in developing countries, but also to bring the Minden community together," Ganesh said.

The walk mimics those done by people without water security, many of whom must trek long distances to collect from waterbodies using jugs.

At the Minden event, participants will have the option to carry similar jugs. "So they have an idea that this is how much this weighs," Ganesh said.

World Vision helps develop water sources for communities around the world by drilling wells and providing rainwater-harvesting systems.
The Christian charity also trains communities to maintain water points.

"There are few things that improve a child's chances more effectively than a nearby source of clean, safe water," the charity said on its website. "In providing clean water, we not only keep children safe from waterborne illness. We reduce the burden on people who otherwise would have to make long, exhausting daily treks for water."

Ganesh said local businesses and the community are interested in the event. More than 20 people have signed up to participate so far.

"They've all been very open, very welcoming, very receptive and that's fantastic," she said.

The walk begins at 10:30 a.m. at the Minden Bible Church, with registration opening at 10. The trek will go through downtown Minden around the Gull River, finishing around noon. The event has a minimum registration fee of \$10 and a \$1,000 goal for fundraising.

"If it's successful and it really picks up, we'd certainly look at the possibility of doing it again next year," Ganesh



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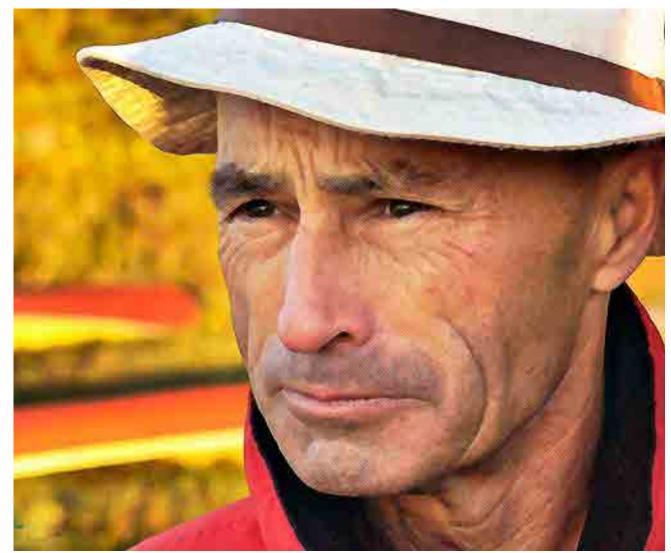
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# Time to go into the woods with artist Ted Morris



Ted Morris is bringing Into the Woods to Algonquin Park. Photo submitted.

#### By Lisa Gervais

An Algonquin Park leaseholder, Ted Morris presents his first solo exhibition *Into the Woods*, in the Algonquin Room Art Gallery in Algonquin Park this month.

Morris has cottaged on Cache Lake since 1986, and is in residence in the park from May to October each year. Always drawn to functional art, Morris' early passion was for building furniture. This eventually led to working with architects and another facet of his career - fine homebuilding.

In 2005, he began creating works on canvas and over the last 15 years, his medium has been primarily oil painting. More recently, he's delving into sculpture has resulted in a return to working with wood.

"Into the Woods is an invitation to discover some of Morris' subjects - the iconic canoes of Algonquin, as well as his own cherished rowboat – and the landscapes, flora, and fauna of the park," said co-curator Carolyn Boll.

She said that finding inspiration in the works of the Group of Seven, Lawren Harris in particular, as well as the precision and creativity of Gustav Klimt, "Morris' attention to evocative detail is reflected in his profound and diverse artistic inquiry, and speaks to his belief in the power and presence of art in all we think, see and do."

A portion of each sale during the exhibition will be contributed to The Friends of Algonquin Park, in support of their educational and interpretive programs in Algonquin.

Into the Woods will feature in the Algonquin Room of the Algonquin Park Visitor Centre from Friday, August 2 to Wednesday, August 28.

The reception with the artist will be held Wednesday, August 7 from 2-4 p.m.













#### "Playing music by hitting stuff"

Top left: Percussion Quartet members Richard Burrows (left) and Adam Campbell play African drums in the opening number of their set at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion July 26. The show was part of the Highlands Summer Festival and featured a wide array of percussion instruments. "We play music by hitting stuff," Campbell said. "We explore that definition liberally so we play many, many instruments that make all kinds of sounds." Top right: Daniel Murphy, Campbell and Burrows play a Marimba, a large form of a xylophone. Bottom left: Jamie Drake and Burrows play an improvisational piece using toys. Bottom right: Drake and Burrows play on drum sets at the TorQ concert. Photo by Joseph Quigley.





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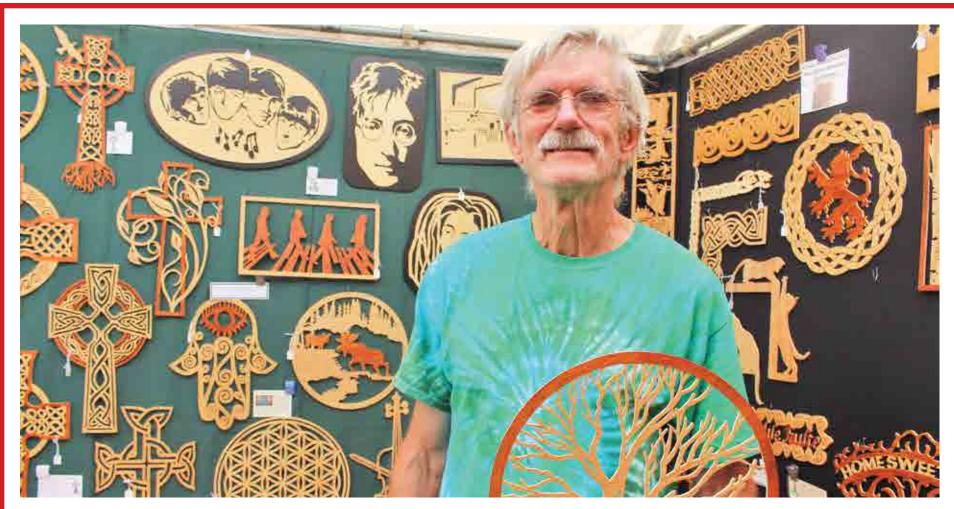






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# Artists show best at Head Lake Park

Top: Ron Tremback of Solar Woodcuts shows off some of his handcrafted works at The Haliburton Arts and Crafts Festival July 26. Middle left: Toronto's Kari Serrao stands beside her colourful bird paintings. Right: Alannah Kemp tests out a tincan banjo at the Rosbilt TinCan Banjo/Ukulele booth. Bottom: Gaia Orion from Sebright has sold her art at the festival for more than 15 years. "I love coming to Haliburton. People are just so relaxed," Orion said. "This is the best workplace ever." *Photos by Joseph Quigley.* 



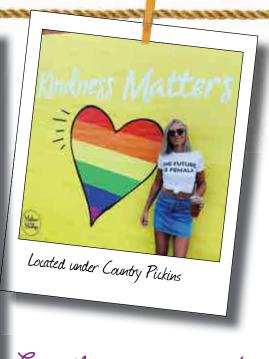


Left: Zoe Chilco and band take to the streets. Right: People brought their lawn chairs or sat in their vehicles to take in the show. *Photos by Lisa Gervais*.

#### Zoe a rainmaker at Music by the Gull

Zoe Chilco and her band were the featured artists at Music by the Gull this past Friday night in Minden. The vocalist and songwriter performs jazz and blues. Her velvety, romantic voice also packs some power. After her first few numbers, the rain poured down, forcing musicians and patrons to make a dash to the Dominion Hotel to continue the evening. (*Lisa Gervais*)

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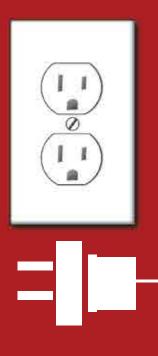


Left: Minden cottager Abbey Chan and Australian Labradoodle Sully. Right: Gail Grainger shows off some of her garlic *Photos by Lisa Gervais*.

### Dog days of summer in Minden

Hot and sunny weather delivered droves to the Minden farmers market and artisans market this past Saturday morning. With August upon us, the garlic was out in full force. A couple of artists with the Tour de Forest summer studio tour were also on hand to promote this coming weekend's event. (*Lisa Gervais*)





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Soprano Carole-Anne Roussel performs at the Highlands Opera Studio's first community concert of the season July 29. . *Photo by Joseph Quigley.* 

# Opening up the opera

#### By Joseph Quigley

The Highlands Opera Studio kicked off its 13th season with a fresh slate of singers working to counter the mystique surrounding the art.

Six of the studio's 25 students performed some of their favourite non-operatic songs at St. George's Anglican Church July 29 for a community concert. The event, along with the Masterclasses from July 25-27, introduced the community to the performers in this year's edition of the famed program.

Artistic director Richard Margison said he is happy about how things are progressing so far in the five-week course.

"We want to break down the mystique about opera being elitist and being something that is only for people that know opera," Margison said. "Just to hear the power of the human voice unamplified and the beauty of the human voice itself is worth coming."

At the community concert, the students performed and discussed their musical background and journeys.

Host Dawn Martens, an opera instructor based in Hamilton, said the program in Haliburton is special.

"There is nothing else in Canada like what's happening here and you are so fortunate to be part of this program," Martens said.

She added performers can help change people's minds about opera by making personal connections.

"Taking steps to be ambassadors of this sometimes makes all the difference in the world," Martens said.

Tenor and pianist Sunny Shams auditioned for three years before getting accepted into this year's slate of students. The program is competitive, with hundreds of people auditioning. Tuition and accommodation are covered, worth approximately \$10,000 per participant.

"It's been wonderful," Shams said.
"The intensity of the program, it's amazing. You're just kind of immersed in music all day, working with professionals."

But not everything is well at the studio. Margison said they did not get the usual \$20,000-\$25,000 grant from the Ontario Arts Council this year.

"A lot of cutbacks this year, so the big challenge for us is finding funding and we're a little behind this year," Margison said. "(Our budget) is quite a bit more than that, but that is a very important part of the budget."

The province reduced the base funding it provides to the Ontario Arts Council in the last fiscal year. The base funding for 2018-19 was originally \$69.9 million, but the province kept it at the 2017-18 level of \$64.9 million.

Margison said the studio is appealing to its supporters to help through the difficulty.

"All those wonderful people that are out there that love the arts and want to support us, please do."

The Highlands Opera Studio's next concert, "Pop Goes the Opera!" is Aug. 3 at 8 p.m. in the Highland Hills United Church in Minden.



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Top: These gentlemen gathered for a game of black jack. Middle left: Kim Roberts, Mallory Bishop and Andrea Mueller step out to enjoy the view at Sir Sam's. Right: Sandra Collins of Wilberforce throws the dice down the craps table. Bottom: Cathy Mann and Steve Foster, visiting from Toronto, try their luck at the roulette table. *Photos by Lisa Gervais* 

## Casino comes to county for one-night stand

Haliburton County played host to a casino for one night only - as Abbey Gardens held its second annual casino night fundraiser at Sir Sam's Ski/Ride this past Saturday night. All proceeds will go towards programming, mostly for children. People enjoyed the sweet and savoury red fife waffle bar. They also tried their luck at black jack, horse race, roulette, crown and anchor, craps and poker. Some lucky bidders also went home with live and silent auction donations. (*Lisa Gervais*)





Top: Jamie Stager jazzes it up with the trombone. Bottom: Robert Hunt gets into her piano playing. *Photos by Lisa Gervais*.

# Jazzing up the museum

New Orleans came to Haliburton County Saturday night. The Red Hot Ramble brought southern-style jazz as part of Jazz VII at the museum. Canoe FM board president Tim Hagarty opened the show by saying, "We hope you guys feel we should have more jazz in Haliburton." The Red Hot Ramble then took the stage for an intimate night of New Orleans style jazz, funk and blues. (Lisa Gervais)



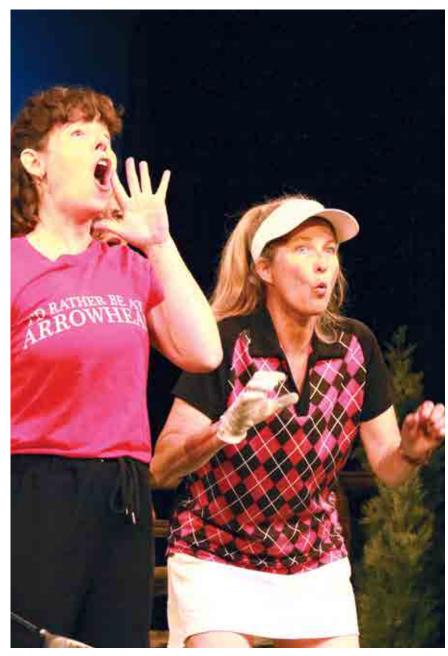


Left: Annabelle Craig busks with her portable cello. Right: Nicolas Molina-Healy helps himself to a little organic cotton candy. *Photos by Lisa Gervais* 

# Heading to Head Lake park for market day

The Haliburton farmers market was a hive of activity this last Tuesday. Crowds flocked to Head Lake Park to see what was on offer. There was food and other goodies for the crowd enjoying another hot summer day. (Lisa Gervais)







#### Ladies Foursome hits the course

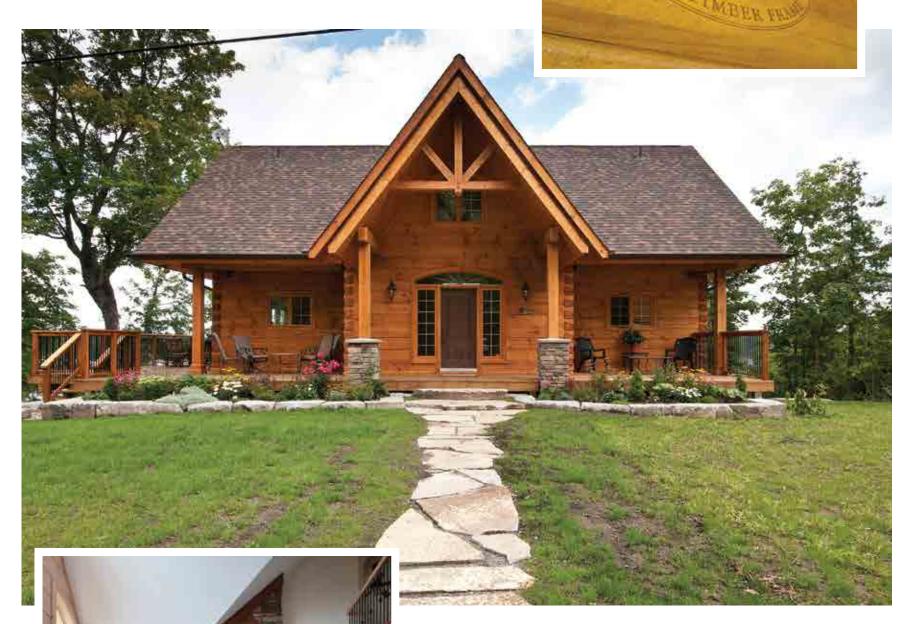
Fore! The cry goes up too late during a scene in the Ladies Foursome. The Highlands Summer Festival comedy opened Monday. Erin VanderBurgh and Myrna McBrien react to a drive gone wrong. Fortunately, paramedics were on hand to tend to the needs of the imaginary golfer who was injured. The cast also includes Laura Ostler and Sue Hemstreet. In the second photo, a difference of opinion leads to a confrontation. The Ladies Foursome, by Norm Foster, continues at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at the High School, Haliburton until August 8. For tickets call 705-457-9933. (*Photos by Lorne Campbell*)



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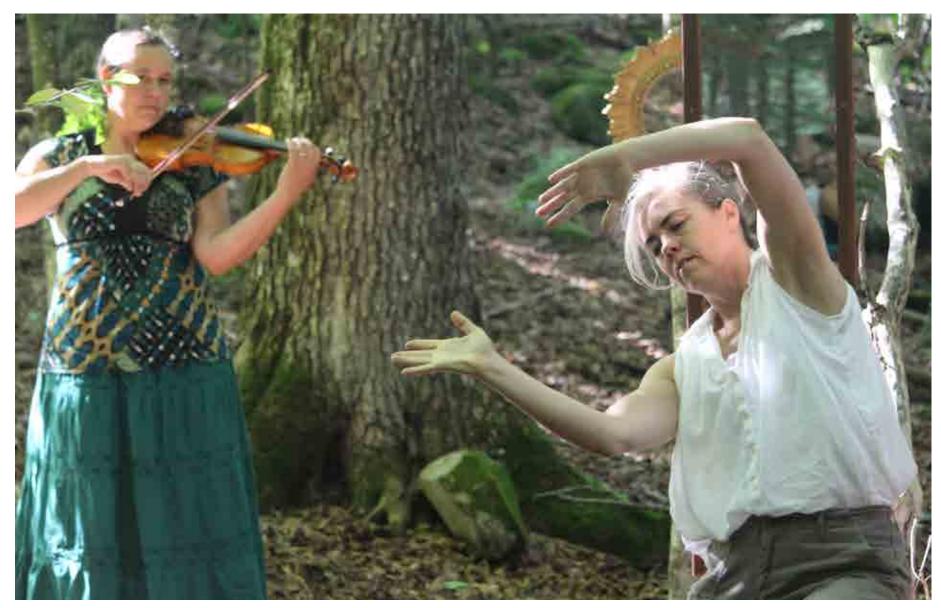
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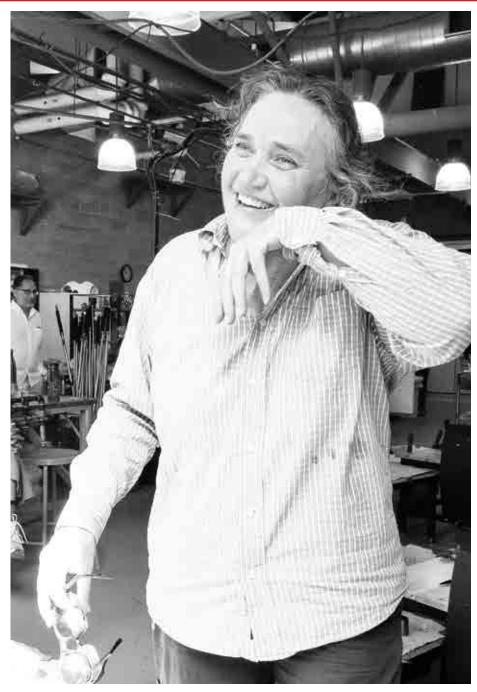






## Dancing through the forest

Top: Mairéad Filgate dances amidst the trees accompanied by Bethany Houghton during the performance. Middle left: Cedric Butz of the band Dark is our Danger performs on guitar while Filgate listens during the Sculpture Forest Re-Imagined show. Right: Zhenya Cerneacov and Brodie Stevenson embrace amidst the trees. Bottom left: Throwdown Collective performer Stevenson sits along a bench. *Photos by Joseph Quigley*.







Left: Sheila Mahut's smile right after she completes her creation. Top right: A photograph from the Millinery class. Bottom: The red glow of a glass bowl in the making. *Photos* submitted

## Making art during a creative week in Haliburton

## Crafting an inspired vacation at the Haliburton School of Art + Design.

#### By Carly Telpner

"The heat can be pretty nasty," Bram Nick Lock says, "but I just love it."

A blast of high temperature hits as you enter the studio. Colourful glass orbs line industrial shelves creating a safety barrier between you and the 1040°C ovens. Meanwhile, the class instructor, Sheila Mahut, and her assistant, Lock, are in a well-rehearsed dance. Lock studied glassblowing at the Haliburton School of Art + Design (HSAD) for over a year before working at the school.

"The school is "designed to give students a taste of everything," said Lock. Glassblowing is just one of the more than 300 summer and fall courses offered at HSAD. Bustling creativity, friendly laughter and calm surround of nature creates a unique learning experience for newcomers and life-long cottagers — including myself.

Four years ago, I enjoyed Drawing for Beginners. This year, I decided on Travel Writing and Photography with Kate Pocock (writing) and Rob Stimpson (photography). The instructors were constructive and kind. It's helped me get

back to writing and I feel more confident with a camera. A week here sparks my creativity.

My young daughters, Mia and Avi Telpner, participated in pottery last year. "I like using my hands and showing everyone my art," Avi said after the class.

My mother-in-law Patsy Telpner has been taking classes with the school for 16 years. Ten years in pottery and the last six in various collage, printmaking and painting courses.

"Every year I try something new," Telpner says. "Meeting great people and being immersed in something you are passionate about is one of the best experiences you can have."

For the last four years, my father-in-law, Ron Telpner, has been taking Ukelele with Eve Goldberg.

"Playing ukulele with the orchestra really improves my skill. I like coming back each year to play with friends I've made," says Telpner.

Brittany Godlien, a newcomer, is taking Millinery – The Art of Hat Making with Karyn Gingras.

"The school is amazing, and the doors

are open to any kind of person" says Godlien. "I came all the way from Saskatchewan. I wear a lot of hats, so this is perfect." She has six new hats and two new fascinators to wear when she gets home. This is Godlien's first year at the school and she is hoping her mom will join her next summer.

"I've never made a hat in my life. The instructor makes it easy," she says.

John Howlett agrees. Howlett is one of my Travel Writing and Photography classmates. It's his first year at the school. "I googled our instructors this morning. We're lucky to have them" Howlett says. "I find the course to be enjoyable. It's given me tremendous insights into writing and photography. I like that I've opened my mind to trying something new." Next year, he's thinking of taking pottery or basic drawing.

It's not just the students who enjoy the atmosphere.

"I like the feeling of the school and the setting. Nature is all around us," says Pocock who has taught travel writing at the school for the past six years. She has also taken photography and knitting as a student. "In our techno world, fostering the artistic side of looking at things is important" says Pocock. "I feel like I'm forest bathing. It's a good counterpoint to our crazy fast-paced modern world." She continues, "seeing what other artists are doing – it's an inspiration."

Near the end of every week-long course there's an event called the Walk-About. The halls of the school are full of excitement. Creators and makers are showing off their hard work, while people explore future classes. People are smiling at every turn. My week at HSAD has been personally fulfilling. Exchanging my typical day-to-day for creativity, collaboration and camaraderie is incredibly satisfying.

In the hot studio, the glassblowing dance continues. The red-hot glass orb at the end of Sheila's punty transforms into a large blue-green sculptural plate. She's in the creative state of flow. The anticipation builds and at the perfect moment — a small tap releases her creation. She's glowing with the love of her craft.



Eric Cyr of *The Highlander* takes off during a recent parasailing adventure. *Photo* 

# A birthday in the air

#### By Eric Cyr

I sat on the rear deck of the "High Flyer" travelling 15 km/h with the wind blowing in my face. Strapped to a parachute. Thinking about the liability waiver I had just signed. All of a sudden, the winch let loose and I was airborne, pulled up and away from the boat.

Forty-five minutes earlier, I sneaked out of the office and hit the road headed towards the Bonnie View Inn. Nobody knew why I had left work or where I was going. It was my birthday and I was about to join a last-minute parasailing trip courtesy of Craig Bowker from Ski-Mazing Watersports School & Parasailing.

Crew member Ryker met me near the dock when I arrived 10 minutes later. He handed me an intake form and said I was also required to sign a liability waiver before I could go parasailing. Ryker informed me it was his first summer working with the company as I handed back the forms.

"Wait, you forgot to fill out your emergency contact," Ryker stated. Oh, right," I replied, "hopefully we won't be needing that."

Joining me was a family from London who informed me this was a yearly event for them. After a quick weigh in to make sure we were under the maximum capacity, Craig approached us.

"Okay, are you guys ready to fly, stretch your wings a little bit?" It's a beauty day today, game on!"

We removed our shoes and got into Ski-Mazing's yellow, black and blue speed boat, "The High Flyer".

After assuring us that we were using a brand new 600-foot parasailing rope, Bowker gave us a crash course on how to take off, land, and how to dip our feet into the water properly to avoid the notorious "parasailer's wedgie." He used rhymes to help us remember.

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"You have the opportunity to stay dry the entire time."

The family shouted, "No, we like getting dunked!"

Good, if you want to get your feet in the water, it happens near the end.

"First up for birthday boy," the London family insisted. I didn't object.

Next thing I knew, I was high in the air above the treeline feeling a light wind as I sailed through the air. There was a slight adrenaline rush from the excitement of being so high. I could see everything. After a while the experience became quite relaxing like flying while sitting in a hammock with just about the best view you could ask for this side of Haliburton.

I could tell my trip was near the end when the High Flyer slowed just enough to let me dip my feet into the refreshing waters of Kash Lake. I avoided the parasailer's wedgie.

As I reached the deck, I was met with cheers. Another one off the bucket list.

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